ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An electronic throttle controller adjusts vehicle acceleration based on accelerator 1 2 pedal movement. The controller compares a rate of change of a pedal voltage 3 with a rate of change of a filtered pedal voltage. The filtered pedal voltage 4 depends on filter alpha values that vary as a function of engine speed divided by 5 vehicle speed. If the rate of change of the pedal voltage exceeds the rate of change of the filtered pedal voltage by a threshold, the controller selects a 6 7 performance mode. The performance mode determines how the controller 8 adjusts a transmission ratio and power request damping. Additionally, the controller adjusts a duration of the performance mode based on an acceleration 9 condition. The acceleration condition is indicative of whether engine speed, 10 vehicle speed, and pedal position are constant. 11